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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the prosecution history of the above-identified U.S. patent application without prejudice or disclaimer.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21 to 130 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment cancels currently pending Claims 21-130 in order to reduce the official fees. The cancellations that are described in the preceding sentence were done to claim the scope of the invention that the Applicants elect to claim

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